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General Staff Council

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Committee establishment approval. The Department of the Army Committee Management Officer concurs in the continuance of the General Staff Council.

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1. Purpose

This memorandum—

- a. Provides for the continuance of the General Staff Council, which was established as a continuing committee on 13 August 1956.
 - b. Updates the mission and composition of the General Staff Council.

2. Mission

- a. The mission of the General Staff Council is to provide a means for reviewing Department of the Army policies and objectives; discussing significant matters; and disseminating information, guidance, and instruction to the Army Staff.
- b. The General Staff Council is not a decision making council, but meets to discuss matters which could later involve decisions by the Chief of Staff, Army or higher authority.

3. Composition

- a. The General Staff Council consists of the following members:
 - (1) Chief of Staff, Army (Chairman).
 - (2) Vice Chief of Staff, Army.
 - (3) Director of the Army Staff.
 - (4) Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations and Plans.
 - (5) Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel.
 - (6) Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics.
 - (7) Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence.
 - (8) Military Deputy to the Assistant Secretary of Army (Research, Development, and Acquisition).
 - (9) Chief of Legislative Liaison.

^{*}This memorandum supersedes DA Memo 15-7, 13 June 1983.

- (10) Chief of Public Affairs.
- (11) Director of Information Systems for Command, Control, Communications, and Computers.
- (12) Comptroller of the Army.
- (13) The Inspector General.
- (14) Chief, National Guard Bureau.
- (15) Chief, Army Reserve.
- (16) Assistant for International Affairs.
- (17) Sergeant Major of the Army.
- (18) Chief of Engineers.
- (19) The Surgeon General.
- (20) Chief of Chaplains.
- (21) The Judge Advocate General.
- (22) Director of Program Analysis and Evaluation, Office of the Chief of Staff, Army.
- (23) Director of Management, Office of the Chief of Staff, Army.
- (24) Chief of Military History, Office of the Chief of Staff, Army.
- (25) Director of the Executive Communications and Control Office.
- b. The following individuals are invited to attend:
 - (1) Executive officer to the Secretary of the Army.
 - (2) Executive Officer to the Chief of Staff.
 - (3) Executive officer to the Vice Chief of Staff.
 - (4) Executive Officer to the Director of the Army Staff.
 - (5) Director, CSA Staff Group, Office of the Chief of Staff, Army.
 - (6) Chief, Congressional Activities Team, Office of the Chief of Staff, Army.
 - (7) Speechwriter to the Chief of Staff.
- c. All members will have a TOP SECRET clearance with TK access (TS-SI/TK).

4. Meetings

- a. Schedule. Unless otherwise notified, the General Staff Council will meet on Monday from 1315-1415 in the Pershing Room (3E635).
 - b. Attendance.
- (1) Attendance is limited to those persons identified in paragraph 4. Only the principal deputy of an agency may attend if the principal member is unavailable. The Executive Officer to the Chief of Staff will have final approval on attendance based on guidance and direction from the Chief of Staff.
- (2) General Staff Council meetings will take precedence over other duties below the Chief of Staff level. Members are expected to attend all meetings.
 - c. Agenda. The General Staff Council has no set agenda.

5. Administrative Support

The Director of the Army Staff is responsible for administrative details pertaining to the General Staff Council. The Director of the Executive Communications and Control Office will take notes and publish the minutes and taskings. Responses to taskings will normally be in Executive Summary format and returned to the Executive Communications and Control Office by close of business Thursday after the meeting to be furnished to Chief of Staff on Friday.

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